

TITLE IV-E WAIVER FACT SHEET
COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
MARCH 17, 2014

- First Waiver period was from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2012. The base amount was the average of payments made to the State on behalf of LA County during the period from FFY 2003-2005 (base year) and the annual increase for years following the base year was 2% (growth factor).
 - We are currently in our second bridge period, which expires on June 30, 2014
 - LA County will continue to receive the original base year and growth factor until the extension is granted
- DCFS' current Waiver Initiatives:
 - Youth Permanency Units
 - Prevention Initiative Demonstration Project
 - Up-front Assessments
 - In-House Legal County Counsel
 - Emergency Response Staffing
 - Expanded Team Decision Making with Permanency Planning Conference
 - Countywide Youth Education Project
- California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has begun the Waiver extension negotiation with Health and Human Services (HHS) and is expecting the extension to begin October 1, 2014
 - CDSS will request a 3-month bridge period from July 1, 2014 to September 30, 2014,
 - Until Waiver extension negotiations are completed and the Terms and Conditions (base years and growth) are signed by CDSS, DCFS is still operating under the first Waiver period
- DCFS will participate in the negotiations with CDSS, CWDA and a couple of Cohort 2 Counties
- Planning for the Waiver extension will begin once we know what are the Terms and Conditions
 - Until LA County knows the actual base years and growth factor of the Waiver extension, we will not know how much money is available for reinvestment
- Since CDSS is expecting more Counties to join the Waiver extension, CDSS selected four Project Service Components with 16 County Interventions/Core Waiver Strategies. Each County will select three to five of these strategies to implement during the Waiver Extension
 - Prevention
 - Differential Response
 - Wraparound Pre-placement
 - Family Engagement/Family Centered Practice
 - Safety Organized Practice (SOP)
 - Family Finding
 - Family Group Decision Making/Team Decision Making
 - Family Focused Visitation, Progressive Visitation
 - Kinship Supports
 - Evidence-Based Interventions
 - Functional Family Therapy, Functional Family Probation, Multi-systemic Therapy
 - Multi-treatment Foster Care
 - Wraparound
 - SafeCare
 - Aftercare Services (County to Specify Services)
 - Transition Age Youth
 - Post Reunification Families
 - General Neglect Cases
 - Probation Youth/Dual Jurisdiction
 - Targeted Ethnic/Cultural Groups